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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 4, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 as follows (see the accompanying "marked up" version pursuant to §1.121), and add new claim 7:

4. (Amended) The telegraphic message transmitter according to claim 1, wherein

said dummy telegraphic message has a content different from the content of said transmitting telegraphic message, which is the content to prevent the seizure of the content of the transmitting telegraphic message.

7. (New) The telegraphic message transmitter according to claim 2, wherein

said dummy telegraphic message has a content different from the content of said transmitting telegraphic message, which is the content to prevent the seizure of the content of the transmitting telegraphic message.

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## Remarks:

Claim 4 has been amended to change its format from a multiple dependent claim to a singularly dependent claim. Claim 7 has been added to include the dependency on Claim 2, from the originally-filed Claim 4. No new matter has been added as a result of this amendment.

The amendments are made to save filing fees and not to narrow the claims.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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### In the Claims:

4. (Amended) The telegraphic message transmitter according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein

said dummy telegraphic message has a content different from the content of said transmitting telegraphic message, which is the content to prevent the seizure of the content of the transmitting telegraphic message.

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